

CITY OF MUSKEGON
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

November 6, 2012

Chairperson J. Hilt called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. and roll was taken.

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Hilt, D. Mayville, S. Kroes, S. Radtke, K. Panozzo, L. Wood

MEMBERS ABSENT: L. Spataro

STAFF PRESENT: M. Franzak, D. Renkenberger

OTHERS PRESENT: K. Jawor, 511 W. Clay Avenue

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 7, 2012 was made by J. Hilt, supported by S. Kroes and unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Case 2012-16 – 130 Washington Avenue. Applicant: Amanda Sorensen. District: Campus. Current Function: Residential. The applicant is seeking approval to install aluminum fascia and soffit over the existing wood. Board members reviewed photos of the house and discussed other homes in the area, several of which had vinyl siding.

D. Mayville arrived at 4:14 p.m.

J. Hilt was concerned about wood damage and rot occurring beneath the vinyl fascia and soffit. D. Mayville stated that could happen if the work was not done right. Board members concurred that the smooth-finish fascia would be more appropriate than the “rustic finish” as shown in the photos. Board members also concurred that painting the wood trim was preferable to covering it; however, several members pointed out that other homes in the area were allowed to use vinyl siding, so they were hesitant to deny this one.

A motion that the HDC approve the request to install aluminum fascia and soffit over the existing wood as long as it meets all zoning requirements and the necessary permits are obtained, was made by K. Panozzo, supported by D. Mayville and approved, with S. Radtke voting nay.

Board members requested that staff include a letter with the applicant’s Certificate of Appropriateness, explaining the board’s concerns with the vinyl covering, and their hope that the applicant would reconsider painting the wood.

Case 2012-16 – 511 West Clay Avenue. Applicant: Katherine Jawor. District: Clay-Western. Current Function: Residential. The applicant is seeking approval to install gutters on the front and back of the garage. Water dripping from the eaves has rotted the door. K. Jawor stated that rainwater was running off the roof onto the cement, and getting under the wood sill. S. Radtke asked what type
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of gutters she would be using. K. Jawor stated that she wasn't sure yet, but that it would match the home's paint scheme.

A motion that the HDC approve the request to install gutters on the front and back of the garage as proposed, as long as all zoning requirements are met and the necessary permits are approved, was made by D. Mayville, supported by S. Kroes and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.